

June 2010 Penalty Workgroup Commercial Point System Recommendations:

Tier III's that Penalty Workgroup recommended making into 365 day automatic violations:

- 1) Crabbing during closed season
- 2) Taking endangered or threatened species
- 3) Violating any regulation pertaining to striped bass spawning areas during spawning season
- 4) Illegally selling, purchasing, or transporting striped bass
- 5) Possessing 11 or more oversized striped bass
- 6) Violating regulations concerning the catch, possession or sale of sturgeon
- 7) Fishing a crab pot licensed to another person
- 8) Violating regulations pertaining to terrapin – no commercial harvest
- 9) Destroying boundary markers for leased oyster ground
- 10) Dynamiting
- 11) Violating regulations pertaining to spear guns
- 12) Operating when license is suspended or revoked
- 13) Violating fishing guide requirements: failure to obtain the federal license required to operate a vessel carrying passengers for hire
- 14) Unlawfully finning a shark or dogfish
- 15) Possessing striped bass for commercial purposes without a striped bass allocation

Tier III Additions:

- 1) Violating any closed fishing season
- 2) Anchored gill nets – striped bass
- 3) 25% or more over oysters bushel limit
- 4) 20% or more over quota – striped bass
- 5) 100% over quota – summer flounder
- 6) 100% over quota – striped bass

Tier II Additions:

- 1) Unattended gill nets – Striped Bass
- 2) 50% over quota – summer flounder
- 3) 50% over quota – striped bass
- 4) Crabbing with a frozen LCC or catch females with a male only LCC

Tier I Additions:

- 1) 20% over quota – summer flounder
- 2) 20% over quota – striped bass

Clarification:

Tier I (27) – failure to remove crab pots “30 days after” the end of the season

Federal Additions:

Striped Bass in EEZ – automatic 180 day suspension

Failure to obtain US Coast Guard Captain's license for guiding – automatic 365 day suspension

Lacey Act – 365 day suspension (question regarding tampered tags)

